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SUBJECT: NAVY/STATE PARTICIPATION GNA BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

NOV. 16-17, 1976

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REF: (A) WHITE/LT. TOOMBS, ROOS. RDS. TELECON 10/28,

(B) COMFAIRCARIB DTG 271940Z OCT 76,

(C) USCOMSOLANT ZEN/AMCON CURACAO DTG 051604Z OCT 76.

1. REF. C, TRANSMITTED ZEN TO CONGEN, UNFORTUNATELY RECEIVED HERE ONLY OCT. 27. REQUEST ALL FUTURE MESSAGES THIS SUBJECT BE TRANSMITTED PRITY TO CONGEN CURACAO INASMUCH AS CELEBRATION LOCALE, ST. EUSTATIUS, N.A. (STATIA) LIES IN CURACAO CONSULAR DISTRICT, AND CONGEN PRESENTLY ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN PLANNING/ LIAISON WITH GNA, AND WILL ATTEND CELEBRATION. MOREOVER, REQUEST THAT FURTHER SUBSTATIVE MESSAGES THIS SUBJECT BE SENT SECSTATE WASHDC SLUGGED "ARA/CAR--PALAZZOLO."

2. RE REF. B, PARA 2 AND 3A. PER REF. A, CONGEN AND

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FONLANTILLES RECOMMEND SUBJECT LIAISON VISIT TAKE PLACE TUESDAY,

NOV. 2, INASMUCH AS FONLANTILLES WILL BE ON STATIA THAT

DAY AND AVAILABLE CONFER RADM FLANAGAN. ON ASSUMPTION
ETA/ETD AND OTHER FLIGHT DETAILS APPROXIMATELY SAME AS FOR PRO-
POSED NOV. 5 FLIGHT, CONGEN REQUESTING CLEARANCE, AND INFORMING
GNA AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF VIP ARRIVAL NOV 2.

3. RE REF. B, PARAS 3B, C, D. CLEARANCES REQUESTED.
HOWEVER, FONLANTILLES STRONGLY RECOMMENDS SECNAV ETD BE
ADVANCED ONE HOUR (TO 170800) TO PERMIT SECNAV BE SEEN
OFF BY FONLANTILLES, WHO MUST SAIL ON 170830. CONGEN CONCURS.

4. CONGEN NOTES THAT RON ACCOMMODATIONS NOT RPT NOT REQUESTED
FOR PERSONNEL LISTED PARA 3B, C, D, REF. B. BICENTENNIAL
COMMITTEE ABLE TO RESERVE ONLY 6 DOUBLES (TOTAL) ON STATIA
(INCLUDING ONE DOUBLE FOR SECNAV), SECNAV PARTY, AND
FOR COMMAND INFORMATION BUREAU PARTY. NO RPT NO ADDITIONAL
ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE STATIA THIS PERIOD. COMMITTEE REGRETS
IT NOT INFORMED EARLIER OF POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL HOTRES REQUIRE-
MENTS FOR CIB PARTY.

5. RE REF. C. AT CONGEN/BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE/ROYAL NETHERLANDS
NAVY LIAISON MEETING OCT. 28, FOLLOWING PROGRAM AGREED.
(SLIGHT MODIFICATIONS STILL POSSIBLE).

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1976

A. 0600 HRS. - ARRIVAL ROYAL NETHERLANDS NAVY (RNN) SHIP
OVERIJSEL (PRONOUNCED OVER-EYE-ZEL -- ACCENT ON "EYE"),
AND FRIESLAND (PRONOUNCED FREEZ-LOND -- ACCENT FIRST SYLLABLE).
FONLANTILLES WALTER GONGGRIJP (HAHN-HRIPE -- FIRST SYLLABLE)
EMBARKED. FLAG RAISING CEREMONIES (DUTCH, ANTILLEAN,
AND BICENTENNIAL FLAGS) PLUS US AND GNA NATIONAL ANTHEMS
PERFORMED BY YOUTH GROUPS.

B. 0800 HRS. - DISEMBARKATION OF PERSONNEL FROM RNN FRIESLAND.

C. 0900 HRS. - ARRIVAL USS MACDONOUGH AND USS T.C. HART.
NO PORT AUTHORITY OR PILOTS AVAILABLE. FONLANTILLES WILL
SIGNAL ANCHOR POSITIONS ON ARRIVAL. SHIPS SHOULD DROP
ANCHOR AT 0900 HOURS. WELCOME PARTY -- ADMINISTRATOR BELL
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OF STATIA; AN ALDERMAN OF THE ISLAND GOVERNMENT; AND RNN
FLAG LT. (SG) A. GIEPMANS (HEEP-MAHNSS -- FIRST SYLLABLE)
ON BEHALF OF FONLANTILLES COME ABOARD. T.C. HART
DISPATCHES HELICOPTER TO STATIA AIRSTRIP TO PICK UP SECNAV.

D. 0930 HRS. - SECNAV ARRIVES AT STATIA AIRSTRIP, SINCE WE
ASSUME SECNAV IMMEDIATELY TRANSFERS TO SW-2 HELICOPTER FOR
AIRLIFT TO MACDONOUGH. COMMENT: SINCE THIS CONSIDERED
TECHNICAL STOP, AND IN VIEW DISTANCE OF AIRSTRIP FROM FORT ORANJE,
ONLY ONE RNN REP AND ONE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REP WILL BE AT AIRPORT

TO RECEIVE SECNAV. SECNAV MUST BE ABOARD MACDONOUGH BEFORE 1000 HOURS. (WELCOME PARTY AND SECNAV REMAIN ABOARD WHILE IS FIRED.)

E. 1000 HRS. - MACDONOUGH HOISTS DUTCH FLAG, REENACTS FIRST SALUTE BY FIRING 13 SHOTS. FORT ORANJE RE-ENACTS COUNTER-SALUTE, HOISTING GRAND UNION FLAG AND FIRING 11 SHOTS.

F. 1015 HRS. - ARMED GUARD, USN BAND, AND DEPUTATION FROM MACDONOUGH DISEMBARK AND FORM GUARD OF HONOR AT FORT ORANJE (DISEMBARKATION VIA USN BOATS).

G. 1030 HRS. - SECNAV AND PARTY PROCEED ASHORE IN USN BOATS, TO BE RECEIVED AT "THE BAY" (A SMALL JETTY) BY ISLAND ADMINISTRATOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, THENCE PROCEEDING DIRECT TO FORT ORANJE.

H. 1045 HRS. - US DEL ARRIVES AT FORT ORANJE (NOTE: GNA WILL SUPPLY AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORT FROM JETTY TO FORT.)

1. DELEGATION RECEIVED BY GNA AUTHORITIES: PRIME MINISTER EVERTSZ (AY-FAIRTS -- FIRST SYLLABLE); ADMINISTRATOR BELL; MEMBERS OF BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE. (PROBABLY ALSO DE GAAY FORTMAN, IF PRESENT.)

2. SECNAV AND PRIME MINISTER INSPECT ARMED GUARD. USN BAND PLAYS INSPECTION MUSIC.

3. USN BAND PLAYS US NATIONAL ANTHEM; DUTCH NATIONAL ANTHEM; GNA NATIONAL ANTHEM (NOTE: ASSUME BAND HAS MUSIC FOR FIRST TWO ANTHEMS NAMED; CONGEN POUCHING SOONEST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO COMSOLANT ARRANGEMENT FOR GNA ANTHEM -- ADVISE IF NOT REQUIRED

4. VARIOUS YOUTH ACTIVITIES BY SCOUTS AND PATHFINDERS.

5. HOISTING OF GNA FLAG, AND FLAGS OF ORIGINAL 13 STATES (ON HAND IN STATIA ALREADY). MUSIC BY LOCAL STEEL BAND.

6. WELCOME ADDRESS BY WINDWARD ISLANDS GOVERNOR THEO PANDT (PONT).

7. COMMEMORATIVE SPEECH BY ST. EUSTATIUS ADMINISTRATOR BELL.

8. ADDRESS BY SECNAV. USG

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SHOULD PREPARE SUITABLE REMARKS.

CAN SECNAV INCLUDE SOME REMARKS IN DUTCH?

9. REPLY BY GNA PRIME MINISTER.

10. EXCHANGE OF GIFTS, READING OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES.

(NOTE: ASSUME USG WILL PROVIDE SUITABLE GIFT FOR OCCASION.)

11. MUSICAL PROGRAM (INCLUDING "TREATMENTS" OF ALL THREE NATIONAL ANTHEMS) BY STEEL BAND.

12. PRIME MINISTER AND SECNAV DEPART. PRESENT ARMS, FANFARE FOR PRIME MINISTER AND SECNAV.

I. 1145 HRS. - RECEPTION/BUFFET FOR INVITED GUESTS ON ADMINISTRATOR S RESIDENCE GROUNDS.

J. 1430 HRS. - GUESTS WILL BE PRESENT AT UNVEILING BY
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FONLANTILLES, ON BEHALF OF C IN C RN NAVY OF PLAQUE
HONORING RADM WILHELM CRUL (KROOL), KILLED DURING
ADMIRAL RODNEY S ATTACK ON STATIA. RNN AND RN MARINE

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PROVIDE GUARDS OF HONOR.

K. 1500 HRS. - UNVEILING OF BICENTENNIAL PLAQUE BY BICENTENNIAL
COMMITTEE.

L. 1530 HRS. - PAGEANT.

M. 1600-1800 HRS.- NOTE: STATIA PROGRAM COMMITTEE SUGGESTS
PUBLIC VISITATION TO US DESTROYERS. HOWEVER, FONLANTILLES,
NOTING FACT THAT US SHIPS WILL BE AT ANCHOR, POSSIBILITY
SWELL, AND CHOPPY WATER, REQUESTS VIEWS OF US NAVY COMMANDER.
IN ANY EVENT, FEELS VISITS SHOULD NOT BE PUT ON PROGRAM,
BUT ANNOUNCED, IF DECIDED UPON, AT SOME CONVENIENT OCCASION
DURING THE CEREMONIES.

N. 1600-1700 HRS. -- NOTING INTEREST OF SECNAV IN VISITING
DUTCH SHIPS, FONLANTILLES IS SCHEDULING THIS PERIOD FOR
THIS PURPOSE.

O. 1830-2030 -- FONLANTILLES OFFERS BUFFET ABOARD FRIESLAND FOR
SECNAV AND PARTY, CAPTAINS OF US SHIPS, ASST. GOV. PANDT
AND ADMINISTRATOR BELL.

6. FOR DEPARTMENT: CONGEN URGENTLY REQUESTS: A. OFFICIAL LIST
OF COMPLETE US DEL, FOR INFO OF GNA AND BICENTENNIAL AUTHORI-
TIES CONCERNED WITH PROGRAM; B. FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF
OF INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY 400 DOLLARS IN POST S
REPRESENTATION ALLOTMENT (BEING APPLIED FOR SEPTTEL) TO COVER
ANTICIPATED EXTRAORDINARY REPRESENTATIONAL EXPENSES
CONNECTION THIS CELEBRATION.

7. FOR COMSOLANT: UNDERSTAND THAT DURING EARLIER STAGE OF DIS-
CUSSIONS/BETWEEN STATIA BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MADURO
AND COMNAVFORCARIB REP, LATTER HAD AGREED CONSIDER
PROVIDING PORTABLE TOILETS FOR USE DURING CELEBRATION.
NEED STILL URGENT. CAN COMSOLANT HELP?

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8. STATE 266165 RECEIVED AFTER THIS CABLE PREPARED. PROGRAM
OUTLINED ABOVE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED OVERTAKING PARA 4
STATE 26615, HOWEVER SEE NO CONFLICTS. SECNAV ATTENTION
INVITED FONLANTILLES REQUEST PARA 3 THIS CABLE.

9. LATEST INFO HERE IS THAT DEGAAY FORTMAN WILL NOT ATTEND DUE TO "REISVERBOD" DUTCH CABINET MINISTERS. WOULD APPRECIATE HAGUE INPUT THIS POINT, IF ANY.

10. CONGEN AND MRS. HANSON, VICE CONSUL STEVEN WHITE, AND MS ANN MARIE HANSON (22) WILL ATTEND. ARRIVING STATIA MORNING NOVEMBER 15. CONGEN/MRS. HANSON OFFERING COCKTAIL/BUFFET FOR APPROX 50 AMCITS, GNA AND ISLAND GOVT OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN 151330 NOVEMBER AT MOOSHAY BAY PUBLIC HOUSE IN STATIA. ANY USG PARTICIPANTS DORIAN SALUTE CEREMONIES WHO MAY BE IN STATIA AT THAT TIME, AND WHO WISH TO ATTEND, SHOULD NOTIFY CONGEN CURACAO SOONEST.

11. CONGEN SUGGESTS COMSOLANT, AND OTHER ADDRESSEES RESIST ANY ANY APPROACH FOR USN ASSISTANCE SEALIFT CIVILIANS FROM ST. MARTIN TO STATIA FOR CELEBRATIONS. FONLANTILLES HAS REJECTED SIMILAR REQUEST ON GROUNDS SAILING TIME INVOLVED IS APPROX 3-1/2 HOURS; EMBARKATION/DEBARKATION WOULD HAVE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY BOATS, IN EARLY MORNING HOURS, POSSIBLY IN CHOPPY SEAS. FONLANTILLES, HOWEVER, COOPERATING SEALIFT APPROX 200 PERSONS FROM SABA (RNNS OVERIJSEL) -- SAILING TIME 1/2 HOUR. OVERIJSEL WILL TIE UP AT JETTY.

12. NO OBJECTION DECLASSIFYING PARAS ONE THROUGH TEN THIS CABLE UPON RECEIPT.
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